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SUBJECT: YMCA SEMINAR ON MAN AND HIS CULTURE

1. DR. NICHOLAS GONCHAROFF, DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL
EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS, NATIONAL COUNCIL OF YMCA/
USA, WILL VISIT LEBANON, TURKEY, AND YUGOSLAVIA EARLY
FEBRUARY TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR MONTH LONG YMCA SEMINAR
ON HISTORY, ARCHEOLOGY, THE ARTS AND ECUMENICAL MOVEMENTS,
TO BE HELD MAY 17-JUNE 17, 1974. GONCHAROFF WILL BE
ACCOMPANIED BY DALE A. VONDERAU, CLEVELAND, OHIO, BUSINESS-
MAN, CHAIRMAN OF THE WORLD SERVICE COMMITTEE, CLEVELAND
YMCA, AND SENIOR MEMBER OF SEMINAR STAFF. GONCHAROFF
AND VONDERAU HAVE REQUESTED DEPARTMENT ALERT ADDRESSEE
POSTS OF VISIT ON FOLLOWING SCHEDULE:

FEB 2 5:40 PM ARR BEIRUT KL 513 HOLIDAY
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FEB 6 10:40 AM DEP BEIRUT PA 001
12:20 PM ARR ISTANBUL ISTANBUL
HILTON
FEB 12 7:30 AM DEP ISTANBUL JU 421
8:00 AM ARR BELGRADE HOTEL
MOSKVA
FEB 16 8:00 AM DEP BELGRADE JU 320 (EN ROUTE
GENEVA)

2. YMCA SEMINAR IS FIFTH IN SERIES OF QTE STATESMANSHIP
PROJECTS UNQTE CONDUCTED BY NATIONAL COUNCIL OF YMCA/USA.
DR. GONCHAROFF WILL PROBABLY WISH TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE
EMBASSY/CONSULATE BRIEFINGS AND/OR OTHER FACILITATIVE
ASSISTANCE FOR MAIN SEMINAR GROUP DURING HIS VISITS IN
FEBRUARY. GONCHAROFF IS ALREADY IN CONTACT WITH GOVERNMENT
AND PRIVATE CULTURAL ORGANIZATIONS IN ADDRESSEE COUNTRIES
AND WILL BE COMPLETING DETAILED PLANNING DURING HIS FORTH-
COMING TRIP.

3. FYI. THE SEMINAR GROUP PLANS TO SPEND THREE DAYS IN
LEBANON, TWO WEEKS IN TURKEY, AND ABOUT TEN DAYS IN
YUGOSLAVIA. THE GROUP WILL TRAVEL AS WIDELY AS POSSIBLE
IN EACH COUNTRY ON THE ITINERARY AND HOPES TO MEET LEADERS
IN POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS AS WELL AS ARTISTS AND
INTELLECTUALS. CULTURAL PROGRAMS INCLUDING MUSIC, THEATER,
AND DANCE ARE PLANNED IN EACH COUNTRY. CONSIDERABLE
EMPHASIS WILL BE ON EARLY CHRISTIAN AND BYZANTINE
CIVILIZATIONS IN THE COUNTRIES VISITED.

4. PLEASE EXTEND APPROPRIATE COURTESIES TO GONCHAROFF AND
VONDERAU. KISSINGER

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